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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR, CSCE, GE  
SUBJ: GDR COVERAGE OF BELGRADE PREPARATORY MEETING

1. THE GDR HAS LENT CAUTIOUS AND LOW-KEY MEDIA COVERAGE  
TO THE BELGRADE PREPARATORY MEETING THUS FAR, WITH PARTY  
ORGAN NEUES DEUTSCHLAND (ND) RUNNING SHORT PAGE 7 REPORTS  
EACH DAY ON PROGRESS MADE AT THE MEETING. IN SETTING THE  
STAGE FOR THE PREPARATORY MEETING IN A JUNE 15 REPORT,  
ND STATED THAT THE DELEGATES WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMIN-  
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ING THE DATE, DURATION, ORDER OF BUSINESS, AND OTHER MODALI-  
TIES FOR THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE IN THE FALL.  
IT EMPHASIZED THAT THE NATURE OF THE MEETING WAS LAID  
DOWN IN THE FINAL ACT: AN EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ON  
POSITIVE EXPERIENCES IN REALIZING THE PRINCIPLES AND  
RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FINAL ACT. ND  
REPORTED THAT SOCIALIST LEADERS HAD STRESSED THAT THE

EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN A CONSTRUCTIVE SPIRIT.

2. ND REPEATS THE SAME THEMES IN COVERING A JUNE 17 SPEECH BY THE HEAD OF THE GDR DELEGATION, DR. ERNST KRABATSCH. IT REPORTS KRABATSCH'S STATEMENT THAT THE PREPARATORY MEETING COULD BE COMPLETED QUICKLY IF PROBLEMS WERE DISCUSSED IN A CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE AND IN EXACT ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINAL ACT, WHICH IN KRABATSCH'S OPINION HAD PROVEN ITSELF A SOLID BASIS FOR INTERSTATE RELATIONS. ND COVERAGE ON JUNE 21 ONCE AGAIN STRESSES THE VIRTUES OF STICKING TO THE FINAL ACT. IT REPORTS THE SOVIET PROPOSAL THAT AN EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS ON HELSINKI IMPLEMENTATION AND DEEPENING RELATIONS BE CONDUCTED ON THE BASIS OF THE POINTS DETERMINED IN THE FINAL ACT. ND REPORTS THAT NUMEROUS STATES SUPPORTING THE SOVIET PROPOSAL STRESSED THAT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF BELGRADE CAN BE MET ONLY IF THE FINAL ACT IS STRICTLY ADHERED TO.

3. COMMENT: THE GDR HAS THUS FAR AVOIDED DIRECT MENTION OF PRESENT OR POTENTIAL POINTS OF DISAGREEMENT AT BELGRADE. ITS APPROACH TO THE PREPARATORY MEETING APPEARS CAUTIOUS AND FACTUAL THUS FAR. POLANSKY

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